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**Commonwealth of Virginia**

**RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR RULEMAKING**

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**Agency Name:** Board of Counseling, Department of Health Professions

**Chapters affected:**

<b>VAC No.</b> <i>(e.g., 4 VAC 20-490):</i>	<b>Chapter Name</b> <i>(e.g., Regulations Pertaining to Sharks):</i>
18 VAC 115-20-10 et seq.	Regulations Governing the Practice of Counseling

**Statutory Authority:** 54.1-2400 of the Code of Virginia

**Name of petitioner:** Mary Clark and Claire Bellingham

**Nature of petitioner's request:** To revise the continuing education regulations to reduce the number of hours required for licensed professional counselors who are "retired-active" practitioners.

**INITIAL AGENCY NOTICE**

**Agency's plan for disposition of the request:** The Board will hold a regular board meeting on Friday, June 3, 2005 at 6603 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA. At that meeting, it will consider whether to recommend amendments to the requirements for continuing education.

**Comments may be submitted until** May 4, 2005

**AGENCY DECISION**

☐ **Request Granted**

☐ **Request Denied**

**Statement of reasons for decision:**

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